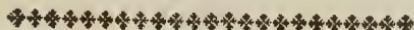


ACTINIA DIANTHUS.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Corpus se affigens basi, carnosum, oblongum,
teres, contractile, viviparum.

Os terminale, dilatabile, tentaculis cinctum.

Apertura præter os nulla.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

ACTINIA lævis subcylindrica, disco quinque-partito foliaceo, tentaculis exiguis albis ornato, osculo elevato striato.

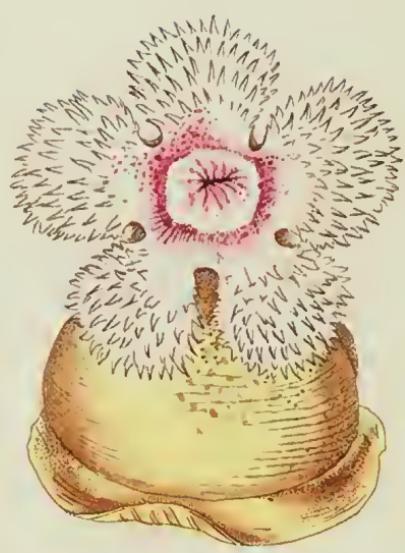
Ellis. Zooph. p. 7. *Act. Angl.* vol. 57.
p. 436. t. 19. f. 6. 7.

Hydra DIANTHUS.

Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 3869.

Formosam hanc Actiniam in Britannia innasci docet qui primus eam descriptsisse videtur celeberrimus Ellisius, rupesque oræ Sussexiensi adjacentes sæpius incolere, eas præcipue quæ Hastingarum ex adverso sitæ sunt. Eadem est magnitudine quam ostendit tabula, et eodem fere utitur vivendi modo quo reliquum genus.

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THE
CARNATION ACTINIA.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Body fixing itself by the base, fleshy, oblong, cylindric, contractile, viviparous.

Mouth terminal, expansile, surrounded with tentacula.

No other opening but the mouth.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

Smooth subcylindric Actinia, with foliaceous five-parted disk beset with minute tentacula, and elevated, striated mouth.

Sea CARNATION.

*Ellis. Zooph. p. 7. Phil. Trans. vol. 57.
p. 436. pl. 19. f. 8.*

The beautiful species of Actinia represented on the present plate seems to have been first described by Mr. Ellis, who informs us that it is an native of our own island, and is principally found on the rocks of the Sussex coast, and more especially on those which are opposite the town of Hastings. In its general properties and manners it resembles the rest of its tribe, and is expressed on the plate in its natural size.